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## **Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration Creates Task Force to Reform Government Permitting Procedures**

Hagåtña, Guam - The Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration today announced the creation of the Governor's Task Force to Reform Government Permitting Procedures. The Task Force was created through Executive Order 2019-04, signed by Acting Governor of Guam Joshua F. Tenorio in coordination with Governor Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero on Wednesday.

The Governor's Task Force to Reform Government Permitting Procedures will be led by Guam Trades Academy Education Director Bert Johnston and University of Guam Assistant Professor of Public Administration John J. Rivera, PhD. Members include Senior Business Advisor and Bank of Guam Women in Business Program Coordinator Denise Mendiola, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Contracting Officer Jenais L.G. Guerrero, and Attorney Patrick Sherman. Members were appointed by the Governor and will receive support from the Bureau of Statistics and Plans

The Task Force will be responsible for reviewing all government permitting procedures in order to identify opportunities for reform. Recommendations must be provided in a formal report to the Governor no later than August 1, 2019.

"The permitting process can be arduous. We don't want red tape and bureaucracy keeping our island from success. Our Administration is committed to simplifying and streamlining Government of Guam operations," said Acting Governor Tenorio.

The Task Force will schedule its first meeting next week.

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